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1. RE REF., STATUS OF IDEALIST COVERAGE LAOS AS FOLL:

A. AN IDEALIST MISSION FOR COVERAGE NORTH VIET NAM IS APPROVED FOR FEBRUARY. PRESENT PLANS CALL FOR THIS MISSION TO BE EXECUTED BY IDEALIST DETACHMENT NOW TAKHLI ON PRIMARY MISSION SINO-INDIAN BORDER COVERAGE (OPN FALCON). SPECIAL GROUP HAS APPROVED ROUTING THIS MISSION TO NORTH VIET NAM VIA LAOS WITH COVERAGE LATTER AREA TO BE OBTAINED SOUTH OF 18TH PARALLEL ONLY, ON EAST AND WEST HEADINGS COASTING IN AND OUT OF NORTH VIET NAM.

B. AS PRESENTLY CONSTRUCTED, MISSION PROVIDES MODE ONE (WIDE RANGE) COVERAGE LAOS TARGETS FROM APPROXIMATELY JUST NORTH OF 16TH PARALLEL TO JUST SOUTH 18TH PARALLEL WITHIN LAOS. THIS WILL COVER CONSIDERABLE PORTION CURRENT APPROVED TARGETS LAOS. PROPOSAL TO ADD TO THIS COVERAGE

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BY CROSS-HATCHED FLIGHT PLANNING NORTH 18TH PARALLEL WITHIN LAOS HAS NOT SPECIFICALLY BEEN APPROVED. PRESUMPTION IS THAT IF COVERAGE LAOS INCIDENTAL TO NVN MISSION DOES NOT EXCITE PROTEST OR IS NOT ACCURATELY TRACKED, QUESTION ADDITIONAL LAOS COVERAGE SUBSEQUENTLY BECOMES EASIER TO SOLVE.

2. REMAINING APPROVED IDEALIST/TACKLE FLIGHTS FOR FEBRUARY AS FOLL:

A. TACKLE MISSION TO SZECHWAN BASIN.

B. TACKLE MISSION TO CHICOM MISSILE TEST RANGE.

C. TACKLE MISSION TO SOUTH CHINA NORTHWARD OF NVN BORDER.

D. ONE FALCON APPROVAL REMAINS, BUT CURRENTLY HAVE NO COMOR APPROVED TARGETS, NOR HAS THIS MISSION BEEN CONCURRED IN BY GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

3. AS TO TIMING, ALL IDEALIST ASSETS FAR EAST, INCL TACKLE, HAVE BEEN UNDERGOING OPNL STAND DOWN PENDING RESOLUTION PROBLEMS

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ARISING FROM RECENT SERIES CAMERA FAILURES, BOTH TOTAL AND PARTIAL, AND FROM Q BAY PRESSURIZATION DIFFICULTIES. REMEDIAL FIXES BOTH MATTERS APPEAR NOW TO BE PRETTY WELL IN HAND, AND ANTICIPATE RESUMPTION OPNL READINESS O/A 5 FEBRUARY.

4. ADVISE IF FURTHER INFO NECESSARY.

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FIRST MISSION COULD COME THEN AS EARLY AS 7 FEB DEPENDING ON TARGET WX.

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